

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN DIEGO REGION**

**ORDER NO. R9-2004-0194
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENT OF CIVIL LIABILITY
FOR
MANDATORY MINIMUM PENALTIES
AGAINST
SEA WORLD SAN DIEGO
VIOLATION OF
ORDER NO. 2000-25, NPDES NO. CA0107336
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
SEA WORLD SAN DIEGO
SAN DIEGO COUNTY
DISCHARGE TO MISSION BAY**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (hereinafter Regional Board), on June 10, 2004, having received a signed waiver of public hearing form and a payment of \$6,000 and having reviewed the allegations contained in Revised Complaint No. R9-2004-0085, dated May 14, 2004, and on the recommendation for administrative assessment of Civil Liability pursuant to California Water Code section 13385 in the amount of \$6,000, finds as follows:

1. Sea World San Diego is authorized to discharge up to 3.24 million gallons per day (MGD) of wastewater and stormwater through the East Outfall and up to 6.12 MGD through the West Outfall in accordance with waste discharge requirements contained in Order No. 2000-25 which was adopted by the Regional Board on April 12, 2000.
2. The Discharge Specifications' section of Order No. 2000-25 states that fecal coliform concentrations shall not exceed 400/100 mL in more than 10 percent of total samples taken during any 30-day period. Samples taken on August 19 and 20, 2002 from the West Outfall caused fecal coliform concentrations in 2 of 8 samples taken in a 30-day period (August 8, 2002 through September 7, 2002), to exceed the effluent limitation (12.5 and 22 percent of samples respectively).
3. The Discharge Specifications' section of Order No. 2000-25 contains a Maximum at any Time effluent limitation of 104 CFU/100 mL for enterococcus. On October 2, 2002, Sea World San Diego reported an enterococcus result of 130 CFU/100 mL.